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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Robert J. MI	EDOF	
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For:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

WARNING:

2.

Failure to file a complete response in compliance with § 1.135(c) leads to a reduction in patent term

adjustment - See § 1.704(c)(7).

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. 1.

STATUS

2.	Applicant is				
	×	a small entity. A statement:			
		other than a small entity.			

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Only the date of filing (§ 1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under § 1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See § 1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" (§ 1.10) or facsimile transmission (§ 1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filing date for patent term adjustment calculations.

EXTENSION OF TERM								
NOTE:	"Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) — If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.							
	If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).							
NOTE:	See 37 C.F.R. $\S1.645$ for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. $\S1.550(c)$ for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.							
NOTE:	37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b)" an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection, objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the day after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period, or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has no effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."							
3.	The pro	ceeding	gs herein are for a patent	appli	cation and the provisions of	f 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.		
			(complete (a)	or (U)), as applicable)			
	(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:							
	-	Extension (months)		Fee for other than small entity		Fee for small entity		
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		three n		\$	950.00	\$ 475.00		
		four m	ontns	.	1,480.00	\$ 740.00		
Fee: \$								
If an ad	lditional	extensi	on of time is required, p	lease	consider this a petition the	erefor.		
(check and complete the next item, if applicable)								
	An extension for months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.							
			Extension fee due with	this	request \$			
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 \boxtimes Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this is a (b) conditional petition being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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		"After final rejection or action (§ 1.113) amendments may be made canceling claims or complying with ar requirement of form which has been made." 37 C.F.R. 1.116(a) (emphasis added).					g with any		
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OR									
	(d) Total additional fee for claims required \$ 9.00 .								
FEE PAYMENT									
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action of May 18, 2004, it is requested that the following amendments be made.

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